Agency Information Collection Activities: Announcement of Board Approval under Delegated Authority and Submission to OMB

AGENCY: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

SUMMARY: The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) is adopting a proposal to extend for three years, without revision, the Board Public Website Usability Surveys (FR 3076; OMB No. 7100-0366).

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authority under the PRA to approve and assign OMB control numbers to collections of information conducted or sponsored by the Board. Board-approved collections of information are incorporated into the official OMB inventory of currently approved collections of information.

The OMB inventory, as well as copies of the PRA Submission, supporting statements, and approved collection of information instrument(s) are available at https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. These documents are also available on the Federal Reserve Board's public website at https://www.federalreserve.gov/apps/reportforms/review.aspx or may be requested from the agency clearance officer, whose name appears above.

Final Approval under OMB Delegated Authority of the Extension for Three Years, Without Revision, of the Following Information Collection:

Report title: Board Public Website Usability Surveys.

Agency form number: FR 3076.

OMB control number: 7100-0366.

Frequency: As needed.

Respondents: Individual users and potential users of the Board's public website.

Estimated number of respondents: Surveys: 100; focus groups: 20.

Estimated average hours per response: Surveys: 0.25; focus groups: 1.5.

Estimated annual burden hours: Surveys: 300; focus groups: 120.

General description of report: The FR 3076 is used to gather qualitative and quantitative information directly from users or potential users of the Board's website such as the Congress, other government agencies, the public, economic educators, economists, financial institutions, financial literacy groups, and community development groups and more. Participation is voluntary.

The FR 3076 may seek information from users or potential users of various Board web pages, including press releases, data releases and downloads, reports, supervision manuals, brochures, new web pages, audio, video, and use of social media. Information gathered may also include general input on users' interests and needs, feedback on website navigation and layout, distribution channels, or other factors which may affect the ability of users to locate and access content online.

Qualitative collections conducted using the FR 3076 include data gathering methods such as focus groups and individual interviews. Quantitative surveys conducted using the FR 3076 include surveys conducted online or via mobile device, telephone, mail, e-mails, or a combination of these methods. The Board may contract with an outside vendor to conduct focus groups, interviews, or surveys, or the Board may collect the data directly.

Legal authorization and confidentiality: The Board uses its website and social media to communicate important information to the public about a variety of different issues. The Board is required to provide certain information on its website. For example, under section 2B of the

Federal Reserve Act the Board is required to provide certain reports, audits, and other information that "the Board reasonably believes is necessary or helpful to the public in understanding the accounting, financial reporting, and internal controls of the Board and the Federal reserve banks" (12 U.S.C. 225b(c)). In addition, the Board uses its website to provide the public with information about a variety of other matters, including information about the Board, its actions, and the economy. The responses to the FR 3076 help the Board determine how to most effectively communicate this information to the public in order to fulfill its statutory responsibilities.

The FR 3076 is voluntary and the information collected by the FR 3076 is not considered to be confidential.

Current actions: On September 17, 2020, the Board published an initial notice in the Federal

Register (85 FR 58053) requesting public comment for 60 days on the extension, without

revision, of the FR 3076. The comment period for this notice expired on November 16, 2020.

The Board did not receive any comments.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 23, 2021.

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